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Neldon Kunz
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Re: Permit Review Status Lease #060749 Submission, American Gilsonite Company, Bonanza Mine, M/047/010, Uintah County, Utah

Dear Mr. Kunz:

On December 12, 1997, the Division received your amendment for the Bonanza Mine. On December 22, 1997 the Division sent you a letter acknowledging receipt of the amendment and informed you that we may not be able to finish the review within the usual 30-day timeframe. Due to a backlog of other permit reviews, the Division has not been able to complete a review of your proposal. We hope to complete the review within the next 45 days. We apologize for the delay and any inconvenience this may cause you.

Please contact me if you have questions or concerns with this proposed review schedule or if you will be submitting a reformatted version as suggested in our December 22nd letter.

Sincerely,

Anthony A. Gallegos
Senior Reclamation Specialist

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